Mayor and City Council Agenda Item Request

Meeting Date: 5/20/2013 Type: Presentation

Call to Podium:

Jennifer Mogus, Community Facility Manager

Agenda Item Title:

Proclamation of the Mayor and City Council Designating May 31, 2013 as "Water Safety Day" in the City of Gaithersburg.

Responsible Staff and Department:

Michele Potter, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture

Desired Outcome from Council:

Issue Proclamation

Public Hearing History	
Introduction Date:	
Advertisement Date :	
Public Hearing Date:	
Record Held Open Date:	
Policy Discussion Date:	
Anticipated Adoption Date:	

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Supporting Background Information:

May is National Water Safety Month, a joint effort of the American Red Cross, the Association of Pool and Spa Professionals, the National Recreation and Park Association and the World Water Park Association. These organizations represent businesses and agencies involved in providing safe and enjoyable aquatic activities to the public, from home pools and spas, to water parks and resorts, to public swimming and water recreation facilities.

The City of Gaithersburg in partnership with Montgomery County and the City of Rockville, will host the third annual Water Safety Day at the Gaithersburg Water Park on Friday, May 31 from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Informational booths, lifeguard demonstrations and free swim lesson screenings will be conducted in an effort to promote water safety prior to the summer season. The event will be held rain or shine.

Swimming is great fun, whether you're at home, at a neighborhood pool, or visiting Gaithersburg's newly renovated Water Park. The City of Gaithersburg wants to remind you that water safety is everyone's responsibility. Adult supervision, without distractions, is a key to keeping children safe in and around the water.